**Patent** Attorney's Docket No. MA3005-0031

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In re Patent Application of	)
Ryota SUGIMOTO	) Group Art Unit: 3764
Application No.: 09/870,672	) Examiner: F. Mathew
Filed: June 1, 2001	) Confirmation No.: 8651
For: IMPLANTABLE TUBULAR DEVICE	<i>)</i>

## **AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

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TECHNOLOGY CENTER RISTOO In response to the Official Action dated October 16, 2003, the response period being extended to April 16, 2004 by a petition for three month extension of time filed concurrently herewith, Applicant requests that the application identified above be amended in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the claim summary which begins on page two of this paper.

Remarks begin on page ten of this paper.

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Conclusion

Early and favorable action with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe

that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful in resolving any remaining

issues pertaining to this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted

at the number indicated below.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please

charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-2985. If a fee is required for an extension of

time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and

the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2985.

Respectfully submitted,

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